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Further to the Response mailed August 21, 2002, please amend Claims 16-27 as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS:

(Amended) A method according to Claim 13, wherein said substrate is selected from the group consisting of a bottle closure, packaging or wrapping material, a bottle and other

containers.